

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING THE MOST REVEREND JAMES H. GARLAND ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF HIS EPISCOPAL ORDINATION AND PRIESTLY ORDINATION

HON. BART STUPAK

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 8, 2009

Mr. STUPAK. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the Most Reverend James H. Garland on the 25th anniversary of his Episcopal ordination and the 50th anniversary of his priestly ordination. For 50 years Bishop Garland has served the Lord, the Catholic Church, and countless members in his parishes. For 13 years Bishop Garland served the Diocese of Marquette, which remains today a church that is intrinsically linked to the spirit of the Upper Peninsula.

Bishop Garland received his bachelor's degree in education from Ohio State University in 1953. During that year he began studies at the seminaries of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and was ordained to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati on August 15, 1959. Following ordination, Bishop Garland served in several parishes and directed offices of Catholic Charities in Springfield and Dayton, Ohio, as well as the Archdiocesan Office of Catholic Charities. Bishop Garland also went on to receive a master's degree in philosophy from Mount Saint Mary's Seminary of the West in 1960, and a master's degree in social work from Catholic University of America in 1965.

On June 2, 1984, Bishop Garland was appointed to the Episcopacy by Pope John Paul II and ordained Titular Bishop of Garriana and Auxiliary to the Archbishop of Cincinnati on July 25, 1984. He has also directed the Archdiocesan Departments of Community Services and Pastoral Services of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati.

On November 11, 1992, Bishop Garland was installed as the eleventh Bishop of the Diocese of Marquette, Michigan—a diocese rich in history, rich in faith and rich in the Lord's spirit. During his tenure as Bishop of Marquette, Bishop Garland became known throughout the diocese for his service, his generosity, and the cookies he baked for volunteers. My hometown church, the Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Menominee, Michigan, resides in the Diocese of Marquette and I am personally grateful for Bishop Garland's steady leadership and strong commitment to the members of the diocese.

Bishop Garland implemented the Legacy of Faith endowment program to develop faith formation and to keep Catholic schools throughout our diocese on solid financial ground. My wife, Laurie, and I are proud to serve as two of the bishop's ambassadors, helping to preserve Catholic faith throughout the Upper Peninsula.

Bishop Garland's committed work ethic extended beyond the Diocese of Marquette as

well. He served on the Administrative Committee and Board of the United States Catholic Conference/National Conference of Catholic Bishops; he served as chairman of the United States Catholic Conference Committee for the Campaign for Human Development from 1992 to 1995; and he served as chairperson of the Bishops of Region VI of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops from 1995 to 1997.

Bishop Garland retired as Bishop of Marquette on December 13, 2005, but he remains active in spreading the Word of the Lord, serving as executive director of the Bishop Baraga Association and writing articles for the diocesan Catholic newspaper. He also continues to care for those in the Marquette community as a hospice volunteer and enjoys reading, music, and gardening in his retirement.

Madam Speaker, the story of Michigan's Upper Peninsula is deeply intertwined with the history of the Diocese of Marquette. Bishop Garland's years of service are now an important part of this history. In honor of the countless lives he has touched, his dedication to the Roman Catholic Church, and his unwavering faith in the Lord I would ask, Madam Speaker, that you and the entire U.S. House of Representatives join me in recognizing the Most Reverend Bishop James H. Garland on the 25th anniversary of his Episcopal ordination and the 50th anniversary of his priestly ordination.

HONORING DAVID BORUNDA

HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. RADANOVICH. Madam Speaker, Mr. COSTA and I rise today to commend and congratulate David Borunda upon being named the "2009 Businessman of the Year" by the Central California Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Borunda will be recognized at the 21st Annual Central California Business Expo, to be held in Fresno, California on Friday, August 7, 2009.

Mr. Borunda has been treating his customers to, as he describes, "Mexican food with a passion" in Fresno since he established Plaza Ventana in 1977. Plaza Ventana remains one of the most awarded restaurants in Fresno and enjoys the distinction of receiving the "Best of Fresno" award by Fresno Magazine and receiving "The Central Valley's People's Choice Award" awarded to Mr. Borunda by the Fresno Bee. With two locations in Fresno, Plaza Ventana offers an extensive menu and is considered one of the top Mexican restaurants in the Central Valley by residents and visitors alike.

Mr. Borunda is one of the founding members of the Central California Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and he has served on the board of directors since the chamber was founded during a meeting in his restaurant at

the original Plaza Ventana location in 1983. He has been very active in the community serving on the board of the California Restaurant Association of Fresno and as a member of the Central California Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Toastmasters. Mr. Borunda's steadfast commitment to the community has set an example for other business owners to follow.

Through years of hard work and dedication, Mr. Borunda's investment in his business makes him worthy of this esteemed recognition. He has managed to stand alone as a family-run and operated business among many competitors and continues to put his customers first. It is for those reasons that we take great pride and honor in joining the Central California Hispanic Chamber of Commerce in recognizing David Borunda as "2009 Businessman of the Year" and we invite our colleagues to join in wishing Mr. Borunda much continued success and prosperity.

Mr. COSTA and I invite my colleagues to join me in wishing Mr. Borunda many years of continued success.

HONORING REAR ADMIRAL
MICHAEL K. MAHON

HON. C.A. DUTCH RUPPERSBERGER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 8, 2009

Mr. RUPPERSBERGER. Madam Speaker, I rise before you today to honor Rear Admiral Michael K. Mahon upon his retirement from the position of Director of Surface Warfare for the United States Navy.

A 1979 graduate of the United States Naval Academy, Rear Admiral Mahon furthered his education as he earned a Master's degree in strategic planning from the Naval Postgraduate School and national security strategy from the National War College, where he graduated with distinction.

Rear Admiral Mahon's first sea tour was aboard the USS *Dewey* (DDG 45) where he served as Electronic Warfare Officer, Assistant CIC Officer and CIC Officer. Since then, he has served as the Operations Officer aboard USS *Gallery* and COMDESRON 24 in 1986 and 1987, respectively. In early 1990, he reported to the OPNAV staff and served as the Joint Strategic Planning System Officer for the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Plans, Policy, and Operations.

In 1992, Rear Admiral Mahon served as the Commissioning Executive Officer of USS *Cape St. George*. *Cape St. George* was selected as the first ship other than a battleship to ever win the Arizona Memorial Trophy. He went on to serve as the Flag Secretary to CINCUSNAVEUR from 1994 to 1996 and Deputy Executive Assistant to the Commander of the NATO Implementation Force (IFOR) in Sarajevo, Bosnia Herzegovina.

Rear Admiral Mahon's most recent assignment was as Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations, Allied Maritime Component Command,

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